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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

As a small business owner, access to reasonably-priced, fast internet is critical to our success and ability to employee others, and competitive, small broadband providers are critical to that access. We have been poorly served by both AT&T and Comcast over the years, and have only now finally found the service and prices we need to remain competitive through a small, local provider.

PLEASE allow small providers to be competitive in a market dominated by A&T and Comcast.

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